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#### **Report Highlights:**

The Hostex, and Food and Hotel Africa are the premier food shows in South Africa. The continued decline in the value of the rand relative to the dollar is having a negative impact on U.S. agricultural exports to South Africa. Nevertheless, opportunities exist for resourceful exporters with niche products. FAS/Pretoria will next participate in the South African food and catering show (Hostex 2003), March 16-19.

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#### SECTION I: FAS/W ENDORSED TRADE SHOWS

A.

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#### SECTION II: TRADE SHOWS RECOMMENDED BY POST

A.

Title: International Franchise Exposition - (IFE) 2003

Dates: 27-29 March, 2003

Venue: Sandton Convention Center, Sandton, SOUTH AFRICA

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Narrative: In its 11<sup>th</sup> year of existence, the annual International Franchise Expo (IFE),has established itself as the major franchise event in Southern Africa. The organizers of the exhibition reported a 21% increase in attendance for the 2002, IFE show. The exhibitor profile include South African and international franchisers seeking to attract potential entrepreneur and franchisee. Franchising is becoming one of the major form of business start-up for aspiring entrepreneurs in South Africa. Fast food restaurants, sweets and candy, and pastry shops are among the fastest growing franchises in the country.

B.

Title: Retail Trade Exhibition

(Forecourt, Convenience Store, Supermarket Africa)

Dates: 8-10 July, 2003

Venue: Gallagher Estate, Midrand, Gauteng, SOUTH AFRICA

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Narrative: On display will be main products and information on services supplied and

provided to the retail industry.

C.

Title: SAITEX - The South African International Trade Expo 2003

Dates: September 30 - October 3, 2003

Venue: Gallagher Estate, Midrand, SOUTH AFRICA

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Narrative: SAITEX is South Africa's leading international multi-sectoral trade exhibition, which offers two major trade promotion events: South Africa Import Week and the South Africa Investment and Development Expo. The main focus of the South African Import Week is exhibition of imported machinery, equipment, materials and technologies. The South African Investment and Development Expo aims to promote new investment opportunities in the region, as well as facilitate meetings between potential and current investors with principal investment institutions, Chambers of Commerce, Industry Associations and Government Agencies.

#### **SECTION III: POST CONTACT**

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